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EMB FIRST INFORMED OF GREWE TELEGRAM NEWS LEAK LATE FRIDAY AFTER NOON BY ONE OF GER CORRESPONDENTS IN POSSESSION OF STORY (EMBTel 2472). THERE IS SMALL GROUP HERE OF VERY CAPABLE, FAST CORRESPONDENTS (THREE GERMANS AND TWO AMERICANS) WHO HAVE A LONG RECORD OF THESE NEWS BEATS. THEY TIP EACH OTHER OFF, SHARE STORIES, AND FIND A USEFUL COVER IN EACH OTHER (THE GERMANS BEING ABLE TO SAY THAT THE AMERICANS HAVE ALREADY GOT THE NEWS, AND IF THE AMERICANS PROBABLY THE EMBASSY AS A SOURCE, AND VICE VERSA). THIS GROUP ALSO GOT THE BEAT THIS TIME, AND EMB HAS OF COURSE ENDEAVORED TO PULL TOGETHER ANY EVIDENCE BEARING UPON THE MATTER.

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IN MEANTIME, WE ARE INFORMED THOROUGH INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY BY FONOFF AND FURTHER EVALUATION WILL HAVE TO AWAIT THEIR FINDINGS [3 words illeg] AT THIS STAGE THAT I AM CONFIDENT THAT LEAK DID NOT REPEAT NOT COME FROM ADENAUER OR SCHROEDER, AND THAT EVIDENCE SHOWED THAT THEY WERE TAKING UNUSUAL PRECAUTION [4 words illeg].

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